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Turkeys Go National

National Turkey Federation a Practical Working Reality after Organization At St. Louis Poultry Meet, Means Much to the Future of the Industry.

By MRS. KARL HUTCHINSON, Clyde, Ohio

The event long sought in the turkey industry came to pass at the St. Louis meeting of poultry groups when the National Turkey Federation, originally conceived and temporarily formed at last year's World Poultry Congress at Cleveland, came into being as a permanent organization dedicated to the improvement of all phases of the turkey industry.

This important event took place at the meeting held July 23rd, when turkey industry delegates from thirty-one states unanimously adopted a constitution and by-laws and elected the first officers and directors for The National Turkey Federation. The constitution and by-laws were written by two turkey notables, S. J. Marsden and L. E. Cline, who have long been identified with the past progress of the industry.

The following officers were elected at this meeting: Charles W. Wampler, Harrisonburg, W. Va., president; L. E. Cline, Reno, Nev., vice-president; S. J. Marsden, Beltsville, Md., secretary; M. C. Small, Mount Morris, Ill., treasurer. Three district vice-presidents were also elected and included: E. W. Harris, Southern district; A. H. Trask, Central district; R. H. Weidemeier, Western district. Mrs. Agnes Hose was elected fifth member of the executive committee.

Four types of membership were decided upon at the organization meeting. These are: Active Organization Membership, which includes state turkey associations or other organizations representing a group of turkey growers; Affiliate Organization Members, which includes regional, county or local turkey associations; Associate Members, includes commercial groups and individuals serving the turkey industry; Individual Members, includes individual turkey growers, breeders, hatcherymen.

Annual dues for Active and Affiliate Members is \$10.00 per year. Dues for Associate Members was set at a minimum of \$10.00 per year but is assessed on the basis of volume of business done. Dues for Individual Members is ascertained according to the number of poults, eggs and market birds sold each season, but must be at least \$1.00 per year.

The formation of well organized state organizations was strongly urged in order that the Federation may have a strong and complete state representation in every state.

TURKEY DAY

Wednesday, July 24th, was observed as "Turkey Day" at the All Industry Convention and the turkey folks responded with a large and representative attendance at the Educational Program events which included some of the leading names in the turkey industry.

Dr. J. Holmes Martin, head of the poultry department at Purdue University, spoke on "How to Get Better Hatches of Turkey Poults." S. J. Marsden, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Experimental Farms at Beltsville, Md., spoke on the topic "Reducing Turkey Production Costs." Mrs. Agnes Hose, of Shagroy Farms, discussed "How to Develop Direct Market Outlets." Herbert Byers, General Manager, Northwestern Turkey Growers Association, the largest cooperative association of turkey growers in the business, chose the topic "New Consumption Outlets for Turkeys." All of these discussions contained information of much value to the listeners and were much appreciated by the assembled turkey folks.

On Thursday's All-Industry Program covering all phases of poultry, Charles W. Wampler represented the turkey industry and spoke on "Some Sales Needs of the Turkey Industry."

Among the social features held at the St. Louis meeting the luncheon tendered by Clark Brothers, of McBain, Mo., prominent Missouri turkey growers, to the Federation delegates and other turkey folk, was one of the happy events, a feature of which was the serving of a new dish, turkey steak.

The St. Louis meeting was most pleasant from many angles, not only for the wonderful work accomplished in the formation of the National Turkey Federation, but for the many turkey people present whose name one has heard and read for many years but never had the pleasure of meeting until at this big meeting.

The weather was very hot the week of the convention and it required real effort and sacrifice on the part of the delegates and others in authority to stay on the job and complete this outstanding piece of organization work for the benefit of the entire turkey industry.

But all-in-all it was an enjoyable week because of the fine work done and it should be one long remembered by turkey growers everywhere because it will work for their best interest for a long time to come.

APA Turkey Banding Vitalized

New Regulations Passed at APA Meet to Improve Inspection and Banding Of Breeder Turkeys; Will Better Serve Breeders And Assure Better Quality.

With new regulations and safeguards adopted at its St. Louis convention the American Poultry Association has taken another step forward to better serve turkey producers in general and to improve the quality of their product through more extensive selection of breeding stock by inspectors whose competence has been proved beyond question. This is to be accomplished through a more rigid selection of inspectors, a liberalizing of regulations so as to permit service in non-standard breeds of merit, and through publicity which will certainly expand this important service.

Many experienced turkey breeders and growers may be competent to make satisfactory selection of their breeders yet we believe that in nine cases out of ten, even in this class of producers, a better job can be done by the trained inspector who has been selected because of proficiency shown in that line and for successful work with turkeys. With this careful selection of inspectors, and with the requirements of actual banding under supervision of an experienced judge inspector, the A. P. A. Flock Improvement Committee believe they have at their command talent which cannot be duplicated for this important work. Furthermore, the Committee is not overlooking the present demands for superior market type as covered in the latest revised Standard of Perfection nor is it disregarding the specific breed characteristics with reference to color.

While the revised regulations have been made broad enough to serve extensive hatchery flocks it will also be of inestimable value to the smaller breeder and grower who desires to carry on his own breeding program for definite improvement. For both the large and small grower it relieves him of the arduous, and often uncertain, task of making selection of breeders both to use and for sale, and especially is he relieved of the responsibility for guarantees in his breeder stock sales.

It is the purpose of the A. P. A. to extend this service to every turkey growing section in the entire country and in much of this territory there is still room for wide awake, proficient flock inspectors. The Flock Inspection program is now headed by Mr. Harry Atkins, Secretary-Manager of the A. P. A. with office at Davenport, Iowa. Geo. W. Hackett, Wayzata, Minn., is chairman of turkey flock inspection, and L. B. Stants, Abilene, Kans., is chairman of poultry flock inspection.

The A. P. A. flock improvement work is not only of the best but is also very inexpensive to the flock owner. With general earlier hatching and more rapid development of the young birds, many flocks are ready for banding by the middle of September, and all turkeys which will be suitable for breeding will be ready by November 1st. Early planning on the part of the flock owner will assure getting the service at about the time desired. There can be no better recommendation for a flock than that it is "A. P. A. Inspected and Registered."

North Dakota Inspectors School

Under the progressive leadership of Frank E. Moore, head of Poultry Extension Service for North Dakota Agricultural College, co-operating with the N. D. State Poultry Improvement Board, a program has been outlined which is expected to have far-reaching results through the improvement of turkey flocks in that state.

The program initiated provides for selection and banding of turkeys under American Poultry Association authority, by inspectors carefully selected, and thoroughly schooled for the work. Beginning Sept. 6th a four-day school for prospective flock inspectors, both chicken and turkeys, will be held at Fargo. Those who will make turkey banding work a specialty will receive instruction and training during the days of the school and this will be followed by actual application of their knowledge by handling flocks of the different breeds in the field to test their proficiency.

The Schedule

The schedule for this 1st annual Turkey Breeders Inspectors' School and Tour is as follows:

Sept. 6—Forenoon—Assembling.

1:30-5:30—Class room lecture and discussion of A. P. A. standard breed requirements. Score cards, scale of points, defects. Discussion led by Judge George W. Hackett, in charge of A. P. A. turkey banding program.

Sept. 7—Leave Fargo by auto early in the morning and spend the day working with Bronze, Narragansett and Black flocks. The night will be spent away from Fargo.

Sept. 8 — Spend the day working with Bourbon Reds and White Hollands, returning to Fargo that night.

Sept. 9—Leave Fargo early in the morning and spend the day working with Broad-Breasted turkeys and on offspring of a cross between Broad-Breasted toms and Bronze hens. Return to Fargo that evening.

Sept. 10—Work with average farm flocks



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This work with turkeys will be supervised by Geo. W. Hackett, chairman of A. P. A. Turkey Flock Inspection. This service will be extended to non-standard flocks of known breeding as well as to standard turkey flocks. North Dakota turkey growers wishing to avail themselves of this service are requested to get in touch with Mr. Frank E. Moore, State College Station, Fargo, N. Dak.

National Food Distributors Boost Turkey Sales

The National Food Chain stores have been of inestimable value to turkey producers through their effective methods of sales promotion to relieve the market of surplus turkeys, a situation which has been common for the past three or four years. Much credit is due these sales organizations for the interest they have taken in the welfare of the turkey grower.

However, it is evident that there is a limit to the share of the burden they can carry alone and they should have the closest cooperation of producers by supplying the general trade with the turkey in most popular demand. A great deal has been said and written relative to both the "small" and the "big" turkey by proponents of each but the best argument and the final test comes when we meet the average consumer, and of course, there is no one better qualified to pass judgment in this matter than the retailer, especially those with retail stores that cover the whole country. We believe that excerpts from letters written by retailers to the National Food Chains, and re-issued by the latter in a general letter to producer marketing organization and marketing committees, will be interesting to our readers. We therefore present the following:

"Over three years ago, a research project by this Association developed the interesting fact that 73 per cent of retail store consumer demand was for turkeys weighing 13 pounds and less. At least one other study conducted by a state college showed almost identical results. This trend in consumer preference may have influenced breeding work to develop the so-called "streamlined" turkeys.

"Our organization is at present engaged in a further study of this subject. In our territory we have consistently plugged at getting more turkeys used during hot weather, with some success. * * * Even though the chains have been giving the turkey marketing problem exceptional attention, the turkey producers must realize that an important share of the problem is theirs."

"We feel we could move quite a few of

the smaller sizes throughout the summer because we have been very successful right along. However, the marketing of large sizes through retail channels is quite a problem. We believe it unwise to stock our stores with large birds, but will do everything we can to keep our organization conscious of the fact that there are opportunities to sell by the advance order method."

"It will be a long-range task for the industry to streamline the birds and produce a much greater percentage of popular consumer sized turkeys, but to our way of thinking it would take a much longer time, be extremely difficult and possibly more expensive to educate the consumer to use more of the larger size turkeys. Furthermore, this latter would devolve mainly upon distributors, which is hardly as it should be.

"Our contribution to the problem, however, as all other distributors, is hard, constant, expensive selling. This is very material, quick and effective, but the producers cannot hope for the distributor to keep that up forever. Our Divisions will continue this course, hoping the producers will find the answer at the source, viz. smaller birds and the expansion of markets by creating greater consumer appetites and uses for the commodity they produce."

91st BOSTON SHOW IN JANUARY

The Boston Poultry Show, to be held Jan. 15-19, 1941, will be the 91st holding of this oldest poultry show in the world. The judges for the 1941 show are being selected by a consensus of opinion from among the exhibitors themselves. Featured this year is a new class for Commercial Broilers to be shown in dozen lots. Technicolor movies are to be taken of every phase of the show as a permanent record.

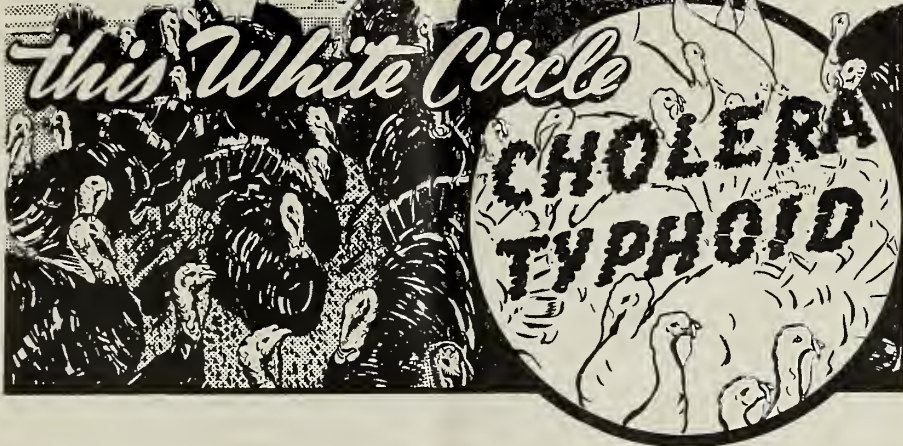
Thomas Leavitt is president of the Boston Poultry Show and all inquiries should be addressed to Paul Ives, Chairman of Show Committee, New Haven, Conn.

SHELTON YOUNG FOLKS WED

Recent announcements have been received by the editor of the marriage of both the son, Fred Thomas Shelton, and the daughter, Gladys Louise Shelton, of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Shelton, Pomona, California. Fred was wedded to Miss Caryl Alice Kilbourne, of Upland, Calif., Aug. 4th, and Gladys to Mr. Paul F. McKinzie, Jr., of Claremont, Calif., on August 22nd.

These are outstanding young people who have made enviable records both in colleges of advanced learning and in application to practical duties. We bespeak for them splendid futures and join with their hosts of friends in wishing them long, happy and prosperous journeys in life.

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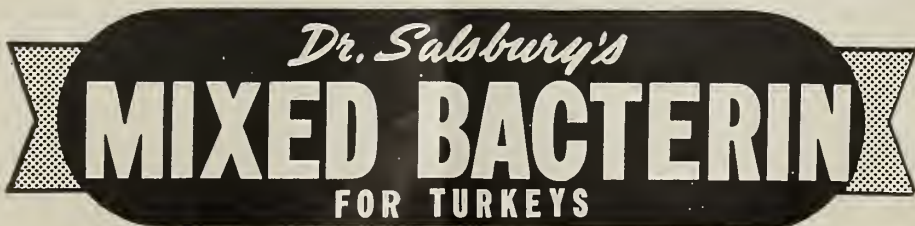
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THE BROAD BREASTS SEEK ADMISSION TO STANDARD

One of the most encouraging and forward-looking moves made at the recent A. P. A. convention at St. Louis came through a joint meeting of the National Turkey Federation with the A. P. A. to discuss the present unhappy situation existing between the so called broad breasted Bronze and the Standard and standard-bred turkeys. The organization of this national federation of turkey growers and processors was initiated at Cleveland during the World's Poultry Congress a year ago and permanent organization was completed at the St. Louis meeting.

It is this new organization which seeks admission of this new turkey of western origin to the Standard of Perfection under a specific standard they will submit. The plea made before the joint session at St. Louis was based on the premise that turkey judges in general have not given due consideration to market type as prescribed by the latest revision of the Standard. Admittedly there is some ground for this contention but we do not believe it is general. The proposed standard to be submitted by the National Turkey Federation is expected to follow somewhat along the lines of the standard adopted by the western club promoting this new turkey, yet it must be acceptable to, and approved by, the Standard Revision Committee of the A. P. A.

We assume it will have to be in general agreement with the present standard for turkeys as to conformation, and to be at all consistent to the general principles of standard-making as followed by the A. P. A. from its beginning, there will need be a specific description of color, whatever the basic color and desired markings the National Turkey Federation may decide on.

This is the move The American Turkey Journal has advocated for this new turkey from its advent before the public. When the proposed standard is submitted, approved by the Revision Committee, and finally adopted by the A. P. A., it will place this new turkey on the same basis in competition as the other breeds and is the only fair way of dealing with the proposition. It must then receive the same careful and impartial consideration in judging as do the other breeds, both within its breed classes but also for all sweepstakes and special prizes.

Even though the A. P. A. has voted to judge this class by the standard the National Turkey Federation submits, until such time as this new breed is made Standard through acceptance by the A. P. A., they will not be allowed to compete for sweepstakes prizes in live classes, which conforms to the general rule that no non-standard breed or variety can compete for these special honors. This is entirely consistent since tentative standards are often inconsistent with the fundamentals in standard making and leaves too much ground for arguments on differences in opinions.

Moreover, with any breed of fowls which is new or in the making, there are many differences in opinions between the advocates of such breeds which must be ironed out and made as nearly uniform as possible before a permanent standard should be adopted. This has to do with size, type and general conformation as well as with a definite color which can be definitely described. Just what that color pattern is to be is not material just so it can be consistently described and generally adhered to.

So far as the ultimate popularity of any breed is concerned, the color pattern adopted for it is bound to play an important part. Up to the present time this has been a definite fault with this new turkey, nor have many of its promoters been sufficiently concerned about it. In this connection it would seem that the five points, which in the standard adopted by the western club is all that can be construed to apply to color, is entirely

inadequate. However, this will be up to the National Turkey Federation and the Standard Revision Committee to decide and whatever is finally agreed upon we shall accept and apply as faithfully as any other requirement of the Standard of Perfection. From what we have seen and handled of this new breed, we believe a definite color can be adopted well becoming to the type of the bird, that will be generally admired and pleasing in the show room as well as present uniformly in the flock, a characteristic which is desirable to even the most casual observer.

If the weight schedule adopted for this new turkey is greater than that now applying to the Bronze turkey, we believe it will be a handicap. Regarding the name to be applied to the breed we do not believe it either fair or consistent to use the present designation. We already have a Bronze breed and they have to be "broad breasted" to comply to the standard. The fact is the better specimens of the Bronze are decidedly "broad breasted" in comparison to their size. However, this too, has to be adjusted and agreed to by the Revision committee before adoption.

All in all, this latest move has put us on the right track and should achieve harmony within the industry as a whole and a lasting advantage to this new turkey whose present popularity could not be expected to last if continued on the "single track" basis outside the American Poultry Association. The general guidance of the A. P. A. has been a vital force in perfecting the many grand breeds of poultry for which this country is famous. It is through differences in opinions and competition for public favor that such great progress has been made over a relatively short period, and this particular element in progress is bound to increase as the years go by.

Fairness in dealing with all vital and perplexing problems in any line of endeavor is the greatest force toward progress.

HATCHERY TROUBLES

We have had some recent correspondence with a hatcheryman whose reputation for turning out quality poults and square dealing is widely known and acknowledged. In one of his letters he brings out some of the difficulties facing the reputable hatchery trying to turn out a quality product and which suggests that the turkey egg producer from whom the hatchery obtains a large proportion of its eggs has not always been following the Golden Rule on his side of the deal.

We are quoting extracts from some of this correspondence which seems to supply at least one answer for the occasional failure of the hatchery to deliver, either on time, or of the quality ordered. This hatcheryman's complaint is especially against the egg producer who is unconcerned when the fertility of his eggs falls far below his guarantee and also the producers who do not even reply to letters of complaints.

We quote: "It is not always so much a matter of the refund to which we are entitled as it is to the general attitude turkey egg sellers take. They want their advance payment before they will book an order and the rest of the money before the eggs leave their place. Then if they can ship the full amount of the order, and on time, they do so, but if they cannot it does not seem to bother them a bit. They ship what they have and the balance comes later. This puts us in a predicament because we set on definite schedules against booked orders, which I think the poult seller should do to avoid throwing a surplus on the market. To carry out our promises we just must have the eggs on time and in full amount of orders. These sellers seem to assume no moral ob-

ligation in the matter at all and just let you work out of it the best you can.

"Low fertility cannot always be foreseen and this alone causes trouble enough. Some make up for low fertility right away, which at best upsets our calculations but others seem to feel that if you are dissatisfied they can sell to someone else next year as though they had no obligation of honor to maintain. The fact of the matter is these same producers are working against their own best interests as it is getting easier to get good turkey eggs each year. Through such business tactics they are forcing hatcherymen to keep their own breeding flocks to produce most of the eggs they require.

"I am glad to say, however, that not all sellers of eggs belong to the class I have described. We have some flock owners with whom we have dealt for several years who have lived up to every promise and every obligation, and as time goes on enough of these will be located so we will not have to deal with those who care only to get your money then let you whistle if their eggs fall short of guarantees."

No further explanation is necessary. We have had our attention called to several like deals and there is no defense for them. In general the hatcheryman is the one against whom all sorts of irregularities are charged, but if the whole truth were known he is working hard to fulfill every obligation agreed to or implied, and in most instances wherein he has failed to make good it can be traced back to the producer who did not fulfill his agreement, honorably or in a businesslike manner.

Producers should take note of this attitude of the hatcheryman, which we know is not an isolated case, and correct these abuses before they "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

SLOAN FOR SLATE CLUB

Mr. J. R. Sloan, Jr., of Texas voices his approval of the American Turkey Journal's effort to publicize and promote the popularity of the Slate Turkey and will help in organizing a Slate Turkey Club. We quote extracts from Mr. Sloan's letter as follows:

"We read, with interest, your recent article concerning the Slate Turkey. It is consoling to us to see such articles in a leading Turkey Magazine; because we know the Slates do not yet all come true to color, but the buying public are not all aware of this fact. Your article was especially helpful to us, because one of our customers who ordered eggs and hatched some poults that were off color was much disappointed. We wrote him our explanation but it was not until he read your article that we got a letter from him saying he was perfectly satisfied with both the explanation and the poults. * * * To be sure we want a Slate Turkey Club and we will be glad to help in organizing one.

"I believe that such a club could do much to popularize and promote the development of the Slates. To my mind there are two reasons, and only two, why Slates are not as popular as they deserve to be today. First: they do not breed true enough to color, and second: we do not have a real commercial grower of Slates in this country, and no one breeder who keeps enough hens to supply hatching eggs in large numbers. Of this fact I am sure because we have been asked to quote prices on as many as 5,000 egg lots. I believe that the organization of a Club, which would help materially in the cooperation of Slate breeders, could overcome both of these obstacles."

—J. R. Sloan, Jr., Germyn, Texas.

Ed. Note: We will be glad to hear from other Slate Turkey breeders.

MILLET FOR TURKEY FEED

The North Dakota Agricultural College experiments continue to prove the contention advanced some time ago that millet is a good turkey feed. George P. Goodearl, research specialist in poultry, has been conducting the experiments and reports that turkey poults fed on a balanced ration containing millet made better gains and graded higher than when fed on an exactly similar ration containing corn. The feeding tests were continued until the birds were 20 weeks old. The turkeys ate more millet than corn but the better gains and grading more than made up for the difference in consumption.

Mr. Goodearl's report contains his conclusion that millet can replace corn in a turkey ration to be fed from 12 weeks of age to marketing with good success.

NARRAGANSETT CLUB NOTES

A. C. Payne, President - - Towner, N. Dak.
Mrs. Wm. Eddie, Vice Pres., Northwood, N. D.
Mrs. Ole Nelson, Sec'y-Treas., Kensington, Minn.

Well, this is a rather busy place today as we have the threshers here, and it is entry day for the Douglas County Fair so they are trying to rush it along the best they can as we all want to take in the big fair tomorrow if we possibly can. This is our oldest boy's first year in 4-H club work so he was pretty anxious to get off this morning. He has a baby beef that he is showing.



Mrs. Ole C. Nelson

Just received a card from Sadie B. Caldwell of Broughton, Kansas, reminding us that the American Royal Show will be looking for a trophy from our club for their show which will be held in November. We sent a trophy last year, but there were not enough paid up members present so the trophy was returned. We trust that there will be more than enough members this year, and that the Narragansetts will make a good showing all along the line.

At this time of the year I get a great number of requests from county agents for large colored pictures of a Narragansett turkey to be used in fair exhibits, but in each case I have to disappoint them as I have no large pictures available. I believe it would be well for us to have such pictures on hand as it would help to stimulate interest in the Narragansett turkey. I would like to hear what other club members think about this matter.

I also get numerous requests from Vocational Agriculture instructors who ask for illustrative material on hand which I can send them as I still have plenty of folders on "The Narragansett."

Almost all the turkey flocks in our immediate vicinity have been visited by some unwelcome guests lately. It appears there are some stray dogs wandering around at night. We picked up 22 dead turkeys one morning from our flock. Jim Martinson has had two large losses from dogs. The first time they took around 75 turkeys, and the second time around 30. Martinson's caught them in the act last Sunday morning so they think they got one of the thieves. We have seen them around our place also, but they are pretty sly so it is hard to get very near to them.

I have had unusually little mail this summer, but trust I shall hear from you all very soon. The show season will be here before we know it so I shall be looking forward to seeing you all again. I imagine you are beginning to look over your flock to see if you have any blue ribbon prospects.

The crops around here were pretty good this year. We have more feed on hand than we have

had at any time since we began to raise turkeys, and it looks as though the corn will turn out O. K. also. Now it is time to see that the threshers get lunch so will have to run along. Hope to hear from you all very soon.

MRS. OLE NELSON.

NATIONAL BLACK TURKEY CLUB

Mrs. W. T. Hall, President - - Denton, Tex.
W. W. Teelin, Vice-President - Blossvale, N. Y.
Mrs. Pauline Rayner - - Hastings, Mich.
Secretary-Treasurer

Mr. M. A. Walkms, President of the County Poultry Association at Vici, Oklahoma, writes that they are staging a poultry show the second week in November with a special turkey boosting plan, and asks our club to offer ribbons, which we will gladly do to any member exhibiting and winning the usual awards.

Any reliable breeder or raiser of blacks may become a member upon payment of \$1 to the Secretary. We wish you a most successful show, Mr. Walkms.



Mrs. Rayner

Mr. I. C. Goodson of the Ridgehaven Turkey Farm, Chocorua, N. H., writes of losing their plant by fire a short time ago, also their Black Club ribbon they won at Cleveland. So sorry to hear of your loss. The Club will be glad to replace the ribbon.

I would like very much to hear from members in regard to awards for the shows this fall and winter. Let's get out and push Blacks!

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Club note time is here again, and no news letters from any members of our club. What is wrong? I am wondering if the members think we don't raise turkeys, so we are not busy? I feel sure if you would see our busy layout, you would all "pitch in" and send us oodles of news for the column. One son works away from home, another son and a daughter have been going to summer school working on their master's degrees, and the third son has been the only one at home to help.

The July notes were due just at the time my favorite aunt, 82 years old, was very ill. As I was called to help care for her during the last days of her life, and as no letters from club members had been received, I did not intentionally shirk my task.

Now, as all four of my youngsters will be working away from home beginning Sept. 3, may I rely on letters being sent for our department? Wouldn't "Step-Savers" be a good central theme for these notes—those little tricks of the trade you've learned by experience that make for easier methods of raising turkeys? Feeding, watering, and other chores should suggest something you could write about.

Grains are turning out very well in our community. Wheat is running as high as 40 bushels per acre, and of very good quality; oats yields up to 75 bushels per acre. Wheat is 72c per bushel, oats 28c, and corn now is more than at this time last season.

Our birds are doing fine, although the forage is quite poor due to dry weather. Our range is also quite limited this year.

We have experienced some very warm weather, and some very cool. We have some poult that need heat yet. The temperature tonight is 56° (Aug. 20).

We have some poult hatching today (maybe we'll have to make snow suits for 'em), and these little fellows are just as much of a thrill as the first ones of the season were. A few of the hens are still laying.

Please don't make us beg for notes—surprise us.

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I can't recall having "fired" the gang, but somehow, I don't get much news from you for this column.



Last month I told you how hot and dry Kansas was, and how I felt like moving out. Now I'll tell you how really lovely it is—frequent rains, everything green (have to mow the lawn again) and pleasantly cool. As our local editor recently wrote to the many who are vacationing in Colorado: "Slept under covers last night. Rains every day. Wish you were here."



And so, with this cooler weather and excellent green range, as Mrs. Turner writes, the turkeys are growing fine. They're getting used to water on their backs and take it like troupers. But I can recall the old days when I had to have mine on dirty bare grounds, small pens, and blackhead worried me to death in just such wet spells as this. Now that they are on large pasture grounds, with moving the shelters and feeders now and then, there is nothing of that to bother.



Space does not permit printing our special premium list in full, but I want to mention there is a nice lot of them already arranged for, such as a \$25.00 cash premium by Western Star Mills of Salina, Kans.; Coffee set by Turkey World; Killing set and tendon puller by Purina Mills; Silver Trophies by Nutrena Mills; Large Turkey Roaster by Hubbard Milling Co.; 8-gal. heater fountain by Jamesway; Feather Brooding Boards by Poorman's; Shipping crates by the Anderson Box Co.; Turkey feeder by Browers; Avi-Tone by Salsbury's; Merchandize certificates by National Band & Tag Co.; and various Serviceware pieces by our Turkey Club will be given.

I'm sure you'll agree with us, that it will be well worth while to commence planning to exhibit at the American-Royal in November. The Premium catalogue will be ready by early fall, for which you may write Secretary T. W. Noland, Mt. Grove, Mo.



P. S. Oh, yes, Clair Bidleman says someone stole about a hundred from one flock of his that was distant from the house. Isn't there someone to invent some sort of poison for that type thief? Stray dogs seem to like to watch mine—but, so do I.

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I feel rather guilty in not having club notes in the last month's issue but know you will all pardon me, especially as it is the first time since our club was organized, eight years ago, that I haven't had club notes in each issue of the Turkey World and Journal. I hope I'll be able to continue with our club notes but it is almost impossible to do so when the members do not send in material. I am again appealing to our club members to send in news items. Tell about your turkeys, equipment, feeding plans or personal items that may interest the rest of us. Just a post card will be sufficient. Come on!



Mrs. W. J. Janda

Mrs. M. E. Driscoll, of New York and Henning, Minnesota, and Mr. Fletcher called on me a few weeks ago. It was a surprise as I didn't know Mrs. Driscoll was back in Minnesota. She is spending the summer at her lake home at Henning but is not raising turkeys this year due to ill health during the spring months just before the turkey poults were to be delivered. Nevertheless she still stands pat for Standard Bronze Turkeys, and is an active supporter of our club. Not having turkeys to take care of, Mrs. Driscoll has had time to call on several turkey folks this summer. At Charleswood, Manitoba, she visited with Mrs. Wm. Dumbrell, who has not been so very well lately but whom we hope will recover her health soon. At Drayton, North Dakota, she visited Mrs. Bellamy who has a fine flock of Black turkeys. At Aitkin, Minnesota, she saw several large flocks of turkeys including the Claude Wright's flock of several thousand Bronze. She mentioned other flocks but I cannot recall the names. We had so much to talk about in such a short time that for once turkeys had to take the back seat.

Show time is around the corner. Why not get the ten members or more in your state so you can be eligible for our club trophy. We will offer our trophy at the American Royal Turkey Show at Kansas City in November. Who's next?

Threshing is in full swing around here. Crop yields are better than anticipated. We had a dry seige during the first part of the summer retarding growth, besides having a killing frost on June 17th. But the late rains have helped so much. There are a few flocks of very nice Bronze turkeys in our county. Some young ones were shown at our County Fair August 1st that looked like fully matured birds. Here's hoping the price of turkeys will take a leap so all will be repaid fully for the worry, care and expense involved in raising them.

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